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## LOCAL MERCHANT A BENEFACTOR

A Good Citizen and a Friend  
In Need.

HONEST MEN GIVEN CREDIT.

He Would Rather Be Right Than President—The Local Retail Merchant is Without Question the Community's Most Prominent Factor. Aids Farmer by Buying From Him.

(Copyrighted, 1914, by Thomas J. Sullivan.) I would rather be right than president is the principle followed by many retail merchants.

There is no right without a parallel duty, no liberty without the supremacy of the law, no high destiny without earnest perseverance, no greatness without self denial.

As a dispenser of important services in any town none compares with the retail merchant.

Perhaps the first benefit of importance is the endless accommodations which he extends his customers. His books show that where misfortune, sickness or loss of occupation overtakes his customers he is frequently obliged to carry them for many months.

Honest Men Get Credit.

The man who has not established a reputation for unreliability or dishonesty is reasonably sure of securing credit for the asking. And the extension of credit is equivalent to making loans without interest. And who would ask or expect any such favor of any one but a merchant or a very close and dear friend?

The local town to be a desirable place to live in must have police and fire protection, it must have bridges, improved streets, water, sewers and good schools. To secure these necessary improvements and to maintain them taxes must be levied. The local merchant pays a large share of the taxes.

Among other things, the local merchant is continually forced to contribute to all manner of charitable enterprises, both public and private. He is the local benefactor, inasmuch as he is the employer of labor. Numerous young men and women find employment in his store, and as the result of his investment and efforts many dollars find their way to the pocket of the doctor, the dentist, the editor, the druggist and the banker, all of which contribute to the social and financial prosperity of the community.

Faith in the Community.

He aids the farmer by buying from him his products to the extent of his needs, thus increasing the profits of the farmer.

He has shown his faith in the community by investing his capital there, consequently his interests center there; upon him, in a measure, depends the social, religious, educational and commercial existence of the town, and he is ever willing to do his part.

All this being true, why is he not entitled to the same amount of consideration as that exacted by the farmer, the wage earner and the other factors of the community that are always crying for "fair treatment" and "the right to live?"

Destroying Local Markets.

All he asks is that which is rightfully his—the opportunity to display his goods and compare prices with those shown in the misrepresented "picture albums" of the catalogue houses before you send your money away from home to buy something of the same quality which he can sell just as cheaply as does the big city merchant prince.

Take away from the community one of the most important elements of prosperity, the medium of exchange, and the effect is inevitable—a weakening of the organism. And that is precisely what the great mail order retail houses are doing. They are bleeding the local communities. They are destroying local markets, weakening local credits, reducing the volume of deposits in small local banks, starving out local business men who are consumers of farm products as well as dealers, driving to the large cities thousands of consumers who can no longer find employment in small towns, and the men who are adding to them in their work of destruction will soon pay the penalty in the shrinkage of the value of their property, as well as in the loss of their markets.

A Gigantic Monopoly.

That the managers of these gigantic enterprises understand what they are doing is amply demonstrated by a remark recently made by one of their number in Chicago. He said, "Give us a few more years and we will make every city outside of Chicago a town, every town a village, every village a hamlet, and every hamlet we will wipe off the face of the earth."

What will the customers of the mail order houses do then, poor things? They will have given aid and comfort to the enemy that has destroyed their prosperity. They will have assisted in building up a gigantic monopoly. Seduced by pretty picture books, they will have in their innocence starved out their own best customers. Deserted villages will then mark the places where prosperous communities formerly thrived, and the population of the country will be divided between the farms and the large cities. The prospect is not a pleasant one to contemplate.

## Two Men Convicted For Pistol Toting

Robert Smith and Charles Smith were each fined \$50 and sentenced to serve six months in the county jail for violating the pistol toting law.

## And Christmas Only 48 Hours Away

To Women whose Gifts for Men Folks are still unbought—to Men and Young Men whom the swift approach of Yuletide has caught with the wardrobes unprepared—to all of these be known that the LIVE STORE is ready; ready with a delightful range of selections in the necessities and the luxuries of mannish apparel; ready with courteous, helpful, unhurried service; ready in everything that will relieve your last-minute Christmas shopping of the usual nerve-racking rush and anxiety.

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Mufflers

At \$2.00

Gauntlets  
Gloves  
Dress Sets

Silk Mufflers  
Pajamas  
Combination  
Sets

At \$5.00

Dress Shirts  
House Coats  
Blanket Robes

Sweaters  
Silk Pajamas  
Fur Caps  
Combination  
Sets

## Two Cent Fare Repeal Is Sought in Ohio

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 22.—The first public move of railroads of Ohio in a prospective campaign for repeal of the two-cent passenger fare law was taken today, when passenger agents of all roads operating in the state arranged with the public utilities commission for a conference on the subject to be held tomorrow.

It was said at the offices of the commission today that railroad officials will wage a publicity campaign to create public sentiment favoring a higher passenger fare. The legislature may be asked to repeal the law passed in 1908 establishing two cents a mile as the maximum passenger fare within the State of Ohio.

The utilities commission can take no definite action to grant the railroads' request, other than to recommend action to the governor and the legislature.

### BIBLE STUDY.

The Bible class taught by Dr. Turner, of the Bible Institute of New York, will close its first term of study tomorrow afternoon. The meeting tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock will be held in the M. E. church, South, and will be open to the general public.

This class was organized three months ago with about thirty members. It forms part of the extension

work carried on by the New York Bible Institute, and was made possible to Fairmont, Grafton, Weston, Mannington, Moundsville and Parkersburg by the generosity of a well to do layman of Cameron. In the opinion of the ministers of this city no better opportunity has been afforded the public for efficient Bible study than this. You are urged to visit the class tomorrow and view its workings for yourself. The next term will begin January 6.

## Whiskey Orders by Mail Are Unlawful

CLARKSBURG, Dec. 22.—Declaring that solicitation by mail by a non-resident liquor dealer constitutes a violation of the Yost prohibition law, Judge Raymond Maxwell today in the Circuit Court granted injunctions on behalf of the State against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and the Wells Fargo Express Company, restraining them from delivering intoxicating liquors into Harrison county without informing themselves with due diligence and caution that consignees ordered liquors for their lawful personal use "without solicitation on part of the consignee," unless consignee signs the defendant's liquor records in his own proper person and not in the name of some fictitious person or otherwise.

Judge Maxwell said he could not abide by two recent contrary decisions regarding mail solicitations by the United States District Court.

They were arrested several nights ago together with Joseph B. Worthington at the Shaft mine. Worthington at the time of his arrest pleaded guilty to carrying a gun and was given the usual sentence. The Smiths were given a preliminary hearing before Justice R. Leigh Fleming Monday night.

## Tipperary Banned America is Better

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—An official edict has gone forth from the offices of the Illinois Steel Company that strict neutrality must be observed by the workmen in the mills. To further this end, the singing of "Tipperary" has been barred. A desperate encounter between Irishmen and Austrians over the singing of the long-way song caused the management to issue the ukase. They say it is better to sing "America" or the "Star Spangled Banner."

## Y. M. C. A. Starts Basket Ball Jan'y 1

The local Y. M. C. A. will open its basketball season on January 1 when the Y. M. C. A. team from Grafton will meet the Fairmont quintet here. The game will be called at 8 o'clock so that the visiting players may be able to return home on train No. 4.

Secretary Brewer, of the Grafton Y. M. C. A., says that the association in the railroad town has a better team this season than it has had for years. This means that the opening game will be a hummer, for Fairmont has one of the best squads that has ever gone on the gym floor here. Among the local players are Slater, Coburn, Arnett, Bell, Amos and six others who are first class men.

Doubtless the Wheeling Y. M. C. A. team will play the Fairmont team here January 9.

### Pittsburgh Artist in City.

Mr. M. E. Holton, one of the best known artists of Pittsburgh and New York, is at the Schwerner studio, where he is engaged in working out some fine accessories to the studio.

### Praise Service Tonight.

There will be a praise meeting at the First Presbyterian church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. All of the members and friends of the church are earnestly urged to be present. A splendid song service has been arranged.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.  
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is a senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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